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Ashburnham Parks and Recreation Committee Meeting Minutes 11-19-2015

(Held at Town Hall)

Members in Attendance: Cheryl Goller, Steven Gallant, Deanne Smith, Richard Troop

Absent: Mike Salem, Tim Dumont

Guests: Scott Bennet, Cec Snow (from Rail Trail Committee)

Meeting Called to Order: Motion made to call the meeting to order at 7:15 by Richard Troop and second by Cheryl Goller. All in favor.

Secretary Report: No Minutes were available

New Business

Rail Trail

The Rail Trail Committee was disbanded as a town committee back in 2013 and due to monies, \$3500 still in a fund, decision was made for them to place them under Parks and Recreation jurisdiction so that they can continue to work at completing, up keeping and promoting the project. Scott handed out a memo and map that was submitted to the town. We talked about the present trial and what still needs to be done to complete it. Present Rail Trail committee are: Walter & Rosemary Misner, Sally Thoma, Chris Picone, Judy Couette, Heather Sarrison, Desaree Hamlin, Karen Sargent.

The Rail Trail committee has submitted a bill for \$53.13 for the cost of printed handouts for the 250th Downtown Day event. Motion made to allocate funds by Steven Gallant and Second by Richard Troop. All in favor.

Tree Lighting / Christmas Parade

Crafts for the Event: Gingerbread Men, Jingle Bell Necklaces, Reindeer Food, Snowman Soup, Paper Garland, and Marshmallow Snowman. All supplies have been ordered or in process of being bought.

Discussion on purchasing new LED Christmas lighting for town hall as last year the lights we had gave us continuous problems. Cheryl had done some research on costs from Christmas Lights Etc. We decided that we needed approximately 15 sets of lights per tree for 8 trees. After much discussion of what colored lights to but, it was agreed by all to go with and purchase multi-colored lighting for the 8 town trees in front of Town Hall and purchase White lighting for the tall tree to be erected. The two smaller trees we would use what lights we could salvage from the past years. Cheryl made a proposal to purchase additional Christmas Tree lighting. Proposal was second by Steven and agreed by all.

Next Meeting

Next meeting is scheduled for Thursday December 3rd, 2015 at 7:00 pm

Motion made to close the meeting at 9:10 pm by Richard Troop and second by Deanne Smith. All in favor.

Respectfully Submitted

Steven P. Gallant Secretary74